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Report of the 2002 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. By its resolution 45/215 of 21 December 1990, the General Assembly decided, inter alia, that the adoption and signing of the Final Act of the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities should be replaced by the adoption of a procedural report of the Conference.

2. The Conference was held at United Nations Headquarters on 5 November 2002.

3. The Conference was opened by the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

B. Attendance

4. The Conference was attended by representatives of the Governments of the following States: Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, China, Czech Republic, Djibouti, El Salvador, Egypt, Estonia, Ethiopia, France, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, India, Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Niue, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Samoa, Singapore, Slovakia, Swaziland, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Venezuela, Viet Nam and Yemen.

5. Representatives of the following organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations and its specialized and related agencies attended the Conference: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, World Health Organization, United Nations Industrial Development Organization, United Nations

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Population Fund, United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Children's Fund, Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat). Representatives of the European Community also attended.

C. Election of officers

6. At its meeting on 5 November, the Conference elected by acclamation the following officials:

President: Mr. Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury (Bangladesh)

Vice-President: Mr. Abdul Mejid Hussein (Ethiopia)

D. Documentation

7. The Conference had before it the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General on operational activities for development of the United Nations system (A/CONF.200/1);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General on contributions pledged or paid at the 2001 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities as at 30 June 2002 (A/CONF.196/2);

(c) Background information on programmes and funds for the 2002 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities;

(d) Report of the Secretary-General on comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development for the year 2000 (E/2002/47/Add.1).

E. Announcement of pledges

8. The Conference heard the announcement of pledges by a number of Governments to one or more programmes and funds and took note of the fact that, while several Governments were not in a position to announce their contributions, they proposed to communicate their announcement of such contributions to the Secretary-General as soon as they were in a position to do so after the closure of the Conference.